

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the subject application be preliminarily amended as provided in the foregoing amendment prior to calculation of the filing fees. Applicants also respectfully request the Examiner to consider the foregoing amended claims.

The claims have been amended to provide incorporate definitions for n, R and R' from claim 1 which has been cancelled by the instant amendment and to clarify the compounds of Formula (6), and to cancel subject matter which was pursued in the copending parent application (U.S.S.N.: 10/089,625).

It is respectfully submitted that the subject application is in a condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is requested.

Although it is not believed that any additional fees are needed to consider this submission, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge our deposit account no. 04-1105 should any fee be deemed necessary.

Respectfully submitted,



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